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**MARK'S COSTLY FALL.**  
HUGE GERMAN BUDGET HOLE.  
OCCUPATION EXPENSES.  
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BERLIN, April 24.  
As a result of the great depreciation in the mark, the 1923 budget for the execution of the peace treaty must be entirely redrafted and the amounts to be paid in foreign currency calculated on the basis of one dollar to 20,000 marks.  
The ordinary budget expenditure has risen from 84.5 milliard to 1.4 million millions; and the expenditure from 121.9 to 808.7 milliard marks.  
The total expenditure of 2.2 million millions marks does not include reparations payments which have not yet been estimated for 1923. For example for the Inter-Allied Rhineland Commission 38 milliard marks must be added, and for the maintenance of the occupation troops, etc. 228.3 milliard marks.  
The estimate for buildings for occupying troops has been raised from 10.3 to 308.4 milliard marks whilst the accommodation of the Inter-Allied Control Commission now costs 4.4 milliard instead of 147 million marks.

**SOCIALISTS URGE OVERTURES.**  
BERLIN, April 24.  
The former Chancellor, Herr von Mueller, one of the Socialist leaders, in a speech at a Socialist meeting, emphasised the necessity of offering a definite sum in connection with the new German proposal to the Entente. He suggested 31 milliard gold marks, of which 26 milliard should be for France and between 4 and 5 milliard for Belgium.  
As regards the question of security Herr von Mueller suggested a peace pact between all the states belonging to the Rhine Shipping Commission, and the German Government should undertake not to declare war against any power for at least a generation or a century. Herr von Mueller declared that the German Socialists had agreed with the Socialists of Allied countries regarding this matter. The German Socialists were ready to support the Cuno Government if it did what was necessary and were ready to take the consequences if the Government refused to do so.

**WORLD AMITY.**  
INTERNATIONAL COURT VINDICATED.  
HARDING'S DEFENCE.

NEW YORK, April 24.  
President Harding, in a speech at the annual luncheon given by the Associated Press of America, defended the decision of the United States to participate in the court of international justice as in harmony with platform pledges, candor and promises, and American aspirations. He denied that it would be entry into the League of Nations. The Administration had definitely put aside all thought of entering the League.  
Referring to the argument that the United States would be placed at a disadvantage in the election of judges for the court through the disparity of national voting power in the League Assembly, Mr. Harding said that if the other great powers could accept without fear of the voting strength of the British Dominions, Americans ought in view of their English-speaking kinship, to feel themselves free from danger. He commended the court as a great step towards the peaceful settlement of justiciable questions.

**BOXER INDEMNITY SCHEMES.**  
CHINESE MUST BE CONSULTED.

LONDON, April 24.  
Dr. Hart, principal of the Anglo-Chinese College at Tientsin, addressing the China Society, said the allocation of the British portion of the Boxer Indemnity afforded a unique opportunity for giving assistance which would bind Britain and China in real friendship and benefit the whole world. The Chinese however, must be consulted before the final form which such assistance should take was settled, and they should be represented in all educational schemes.

**BRITAIN'S OIL BORINGS.**

LONDON, April 24.  
In the House of Commons, in answer to questions, Mr. Lane Fox, Under Secretary for Mines, said only two out of the eleven State borings in the United Kingdom was oil found in any appreciable quantities. Both these wells had now been disposed of.

**MACAO NOT BEING SOLD.**

LISBON, April 24.  
The rumour relative to the sale of Macao to Germany is denied.

**TIKHON'S TRIAL.**

HELSINKI, April 23.  
The trial of the Patriarch Tikhon, has been postponed.

**MARKS DOWN AGAIN.**

LONDON, April 24.  
Marks have relapsed to 139,000, 142,000.

**PRE-WAR CHINA DEBTS.**  
GERMAN AND BRITISH NATIONALS.  
AGREEMENT CONCLUDED.  
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BERLIN, April 24.  
An agreement concluded between the British and German Governments provides for certain pre-war debts by German nationals to British nationals being recognised by a competent court which shall be covered from the proceeds in the hands of the British custodian of enemy property in China resulting from the liquidation of German property. These debts are:—(1) Debts of German residents in China or the branches of German business houses in China at the time the debt was contracted to British subjects, no matter where the latter were resident;—(2) Debts of German nationals, no matter where resident, to British subjects or branches of British business houses resident or existing in China at the time the debt was contracted. Debts under Article 296 of the Versailles Treaty are excluded.

**MATTER OF URGENCY.**  
RECENT FIJI INCIDENT.

LONDON, April 24.  
In the House of Commons, Capt. R. Berkeley (Conservative), with regard to the Fiji incident asked for an assurance that future unconstitutional acts of this kind would not be taken, and that before pledges were given individuals of the legislature of the Colony would be consulted.  
Mr. W. G. A. Gore, Under-Secretary for Colonies, explained that it was clearly a matter of urgency. If an emergency arose in the future, the adoption of emergency measures might be necessary, but naturally constitutional procedure would be followed on all possible occasions.  
[A Suva (Fiji) cable dated April 13 stated: A legislative deadlock has arisen owing to the Imperial Government's promise to refund \$58,000 export duties to the Colonial Sugar Refining Company without consulting the Fiji legislative authorities. The elected members of the Council have refused to sit until the Duke of Devonshire has undertaken that there will be no repetition of the Imperial Government's "unconstitutional action." The Company has since agreed to forego the refund, has promised a bonus on cane sugar of 42 pence per ton, and has agreed to increase wages by three pence a day, providing the export duties are removed.]

**CASH BASIS ONLY.**  
TRADE WITH RUSSIA.

LONDON, April 24.  
In the House of Commons, in answer to questions, Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame, President of the Board of Trade, stated that £4,986,000 worth of goods had been imported from Russia, and £1,338,000 exported to Russia during the quarter ended December 31, 1922.  
Asked whether the figures could not have been increased if there had been better Anglo-Russian relations, Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame said that as long as the Russian Government refused to establish conditions in which credit could be given, trade could only be done on a cash basis.

**MISS ELLIS SAFE AND WELL.**  
BORDER CAPTIVE'S RETURN.

LONDON, April 24.  
The India Office announces that the Chief Commissioner of the North West Frontier Province met Miss Ellis and Mrs. Starr near the Orakzai border. All are well and the whole party is expected at Peshawar to-day.  
[Miss Ellis, 15 years old, was kidnapped by Afridi raiders who murdered her mother, wife of the district staff officer. Mrs. Starr, a doctor, went to Miss Ellis' aid.]

**RUSSIA'S OIL EXPORT.**  
SHELL GROUP'S COUP.

LONDON, April 24.  
The Agence Economique et Financiere reports that the Royal Dutch-Shell Group has purchased 200,000 tons of oil from the Russian Soviets and has offered to allow its colleagues in the international consortium to participate in the deal which assures the Shell Company a monopoly in the export of Russian oil for over a year.

**BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE AFFAIR.**  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST MANAGEMENT.

PARIS, April 24.  
It is reported that it has been decided to commence legal proceedings against ten persons formerly concerned in the management of the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

**FREIGHT RATE DOWN.**

COLOMBO, April 24.  
The rate for freight from Colombo to Australia has been reduced by ten rupees a ton.



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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,  
on  
**FRIDAY, April 27, 1923,**  
commencing at 2.30 p.m.  
at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,  
A Quantity of  
Valuable Household Furniture,  
Also  
One Alarm Watch  
Three Stop Watches  
And  
Several Nickel Watches  
On View Thursday the 26th April  
1923  
Catalogues will be issued.  
Terms:—Cash on delivery.

**LAMMERT BROS.,**  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, April 24, 1923.

ON  
**FRIDAY, April 27, 1923,**  
commencing at 5.15 p.m.  
at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,  
A Valuable Collection of Stamps  
(Full particulars from catalogue)  
On view from Thursday the 26th  
April, 1923.  
Terms:—Cash on delivery.

**LAMMERT BROS.,**  
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Hongkong, April 24, 1923.

ON  
**MONDAY, April 30, 1923,**  
at 12 o'clock (noon),  
at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,  
The Wreck of the  
s.s. "Nichiren Maru"  
as she now lies stranded in Lon 110°  
42' 50" E Lat 20° 10' 30" N together  
with whatever cargo of coal as may be  
on the vessel at the time.  
Terms:—Cash on fall of hammer,  
when vessel, &c. will be at the pur-  
chaser's risk.

**LAMMERT BROS.,**  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, April 2, 1923.

THE Undersigned have received in-  
structions from E. Howard, Esq.,  
to sell by Public Auction  
on  
**MONDAY, April 30, 1923,**  
commencing at 3.45 p.m.  
at his residence No. 20 Chamberlain  
Road, Peak  
A Large Quantity of  
Valuable Household Furniture,  
Comprising:—  
Bookcase, Drawing Room Suite  
(Chesterfield couch and chairs) teak  
tapesty chairs, music cabinet, teak  
round table, teak screen, glass silver  
cabinet, brass fender and fire sets, large  
overmantel, carpets, rugs, brass orna-  
ments, water colours, pictures, engrav-  
ings, marble clock, etc., etc.  
Teak and iron and single bedsteads,  
teak single and double wardrobes with  
glass doors, dressing table, wash stand  
with marble top, chest of drawers, glass  
ware, dinner sets, E. P. cutlery, lace  
curtains, ceiling lights, electric fans,  
electric fittings, cooking stove, cooking  
utensils, etc., etc.  
Several pieces of carved blackwood  
ware, American ice chest and patent  
filters.  
Also  
One Cabinet Victrola  
One lot of records  
One piano by F. Dörner & Son  
Stuttgart  
Several enamel baths and porcelain  
baths  
And  
A Quantity of Plants and ferns in  
pots.  
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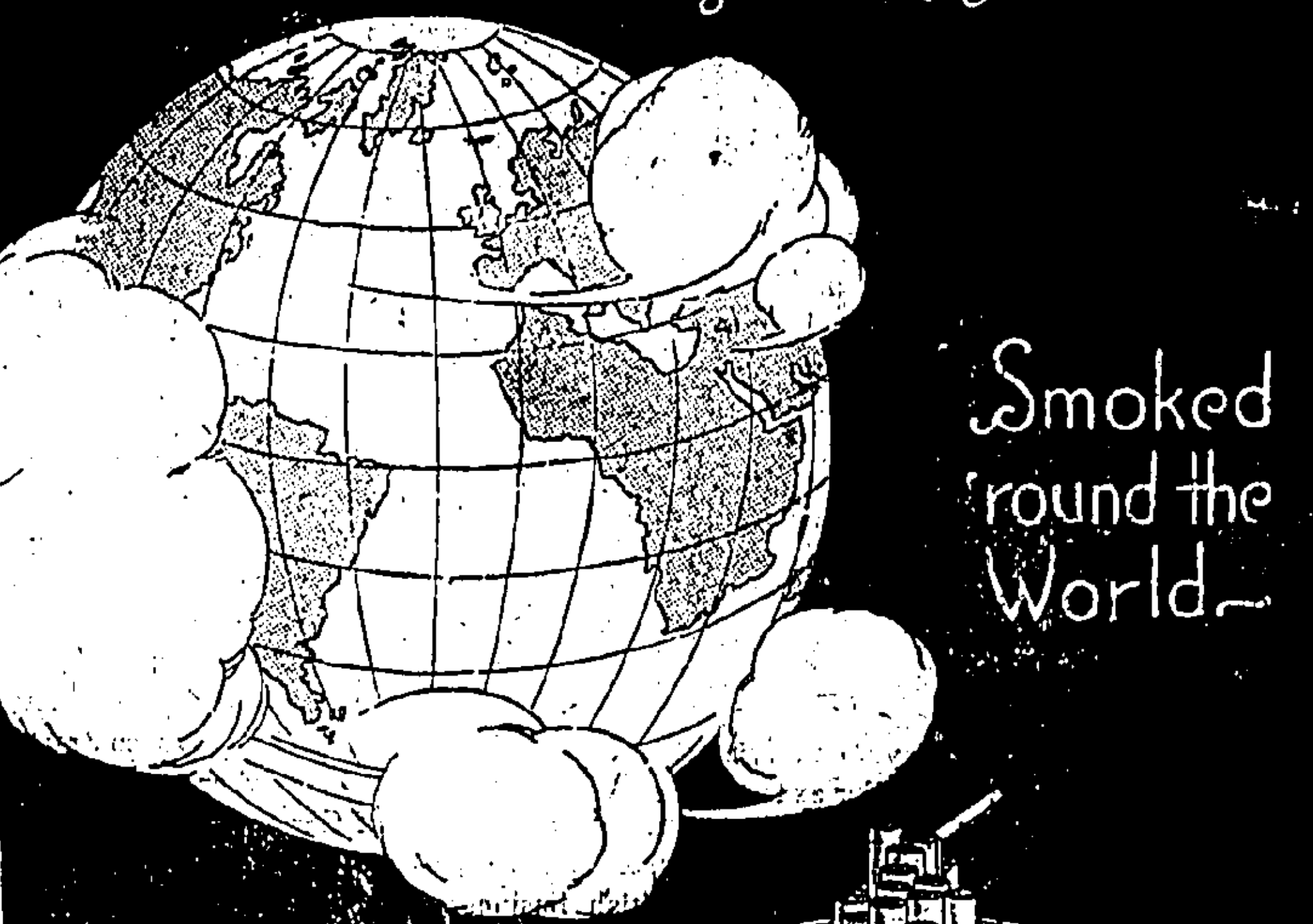
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future events do cast their shadow  
before us, it really looks as if we  
shall, for at a big dress show recent-  
ly most of the tailored suits worn  
by the mannequins had a charming  
little coloured ivory flower stuck in  
the buttonhole. These looked quite  
enchanted, and it is not a far cry  
from an ivory flower to a posy of  
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Gerald Heard in the *Fortnightly*  
Review.

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women is the fact that it is really  
the neck that makes women look  
old, not the face, and that every  
neck can be improved, except in  
cases of extreme old age or disease.  
If young women commenced the  
neck exercises the very first time  
they noticed the little hollow or  
puff under their chin, they could  
correct the defect and preserve  
their youthful lines indefinitely.  
Muscles that are exercised retain  
their elasticity and firmness, but  
from lack of exercise they become  
soft and flabby. You can readily  
see that a moderate amount of  
exercise is necessary for the pre-  
servation of contour, as well as for  
the clear, healthy-looking skin  
which is the result of good  
circulation.—Nora Mullane, in  
Health and Beauty Section, March  
*Good Housekeeping*.

**Are Women Potters?**

"Meanwhile, the weight of  
influence, public and private, con-  
tinues to urge women to fill their  
days with practice of what are  
called the Domestic Arts, says Eliz-  
Robins in *Good Housekeeping*. The  
airysplurals tell not only of igno-  
rance of the field: it strikes a blow  
at a power so indispensable to  
excellence as concentration.  
No man is expected to  
practise Art. If he attempts more  
than one craft, he is jeered at—a  
jack-of-all-trades. But women must  
be restrained from perfecting them-  
selves in some one occupation, lest she  
graduate out of amateurism into  
professionalism. Whether, this  
dreaded thing has happened,

whether she has graduated or not,  
by every device of advertisement  
and suggestion the leisure of girl  
and woman is invaded by calls to  
what cannot so properly be called  
domestic arts as domestic  
potterings.

**The McGrigor Failure.**

In the bankruptcy of Sir James  
Roderick Duff McGrigor, Bt., and  
Edward Albert Biss, who carried  
on business as bankers and Army  
agents, at 39, Pantons-street, Hay-  
market, S.W., under the style of  
Sir Charles R. McGrigor, Baronet,  
and Company, a statement of the  
affairs of the firm has been filed  
in the Court of Bankruptcy. The  
statement shows liabilities  
£743,505, of which £739,058 are  
returned as expected to rank,  
and estimated net assets £227,170.  
It is stated that there are £404  
unsecured creditors, but it is  
understood that the amount  
showing as due to them  
may be reduced by a possible  
claim against the Inland Revenue  
for refund of income-tax and  
excess profits duty. The chief  
assets are cash at bank £59,536,  
stocks and shares £50,400 good  
book debts £86,666, and bad  
£298,912, and doubtful ditto  
£95,062, estimated to realise  
£24,888. The separate estate of the  
debtor, Sir J. R. D. McGrigor  
Bt. discloses an estimated surplus  
in assets of £1,093, after payment  
of his liabilities amounting to £480.  
That of Mr. E. A. Biss, now de-  
ceased, shows an estimated surplus  
in assets of £9,589, after payment  
of his liabilities returned at £31.

**Searchlight to Sea Bottom.**

By means of an invention now  
in use on the Tyne a ship is able  
to throw a disc of light on the sea  
bottom, and the captain, as he  
stands on the bridge or in the  
chartroom, can probe the depths  
with the penetrating vision of a  
fish. A pair of eyes to the bottom  
of the boat gauge with mathemat-  
ical precision the depth of water  
immediately below the vessel.  
This power of submarine vision  
enables the captain or navigating  
officer to avoid shallow waters and  
to steer clear of hidden sandbanks  
or rocks. The Tyne pilot-boat,  
the "Queen of the May," which can  
be seen off the coast in all weathers  
awaiting the summons of home-  
ward bound vessels for pilotage up  
the Tyne, is fitted with such a pair  
of eyes, and the man who has per-  
formed the operation is Captain  
James Burn, a well-known pilot,  
of Julian Avenue, South Shields. He  
has equipped the pilot boat with  
this novel system of continuous  
depth finding which, he claims,  
removes the necessity of taking  
soundings by the use of the lead.  
Far below the water-line, some-  
times amidships, a vertical beam  
of light is projected through a sort  
of porthole on to the sea bottom, a  
searchlight being used for the pur-  
pose. Some distance from the por-  
thole, also far below the water-

line, is a little observation window  
from which the beam of light can  
be seen through the water. A  
mirror is used at the end of a long  
observation tube running vertically  
right through the ship to the  
navigating bridge. By working a  
handle the captain can take an  
angle on the projected beam, and  
then by a simple calculation can  
measure with accuracy the depth  
of water below the ship.—*Daily*  
*News*.

**Cheer-to Tortoise.**

Now that the idiotic game of  
"beaver" is dead, a new trouble  
looms ahead. It is going to Eng-  
land from India. It is the game of  
"tortoise." The journal *Outward*  
*Bound* states that in India, where  
beaver was much too dangerous a  
game to be played owing to the  
unsportsmanlike attitude of the  
bearded Sikh, all the energy of the  
irresponsible is turned upon  
tortoise. A tortoise is anyone  
wearing tortoise-shell glasses. The  
highest marks have been awarded  
to a player who saw bride and  
bridegroom, both tortoises, emerg-  
ing from the church. On the other  
hand, it is only fair to say that  
Americans do not count in this  
game. You score nothing—for  
marking an American tortoise.

**Adventure.**

Fettered I lay and ever dreaming  
dully  
That my poor body, ruled by  
circumstance,  
Was lost to venture, till from that  
illusion  
My mind awoke and by a happy  
chance,  
Found it had wings, so, like a  
fledgling, tried them,  
Shook out its pinions to a further  
flight,  
Soaring beyond the earth-bound  
fields of sorrow,  
Sure in the knowledge of a new-  
born might.

Often I sank, too wearied to rise  
higher,  
Yet ever ready to seek fresh the  
goal,  
Undaunted then, I learnt life's  
greatest lesson—  
That I could be the captain of  
my soul.  
Oh, Great Adventure! I, who one  
was frightened  
To stand alone, may touch the  
Morning Star.  
For lo! the gift of gods is in my  
keeping,  
Since in my flight I saw the  
Gates ajar.  
IAN MURRAY, in the  
—*Windsor Magazine*.

**Bowel Complaint in Children.**  
During the summer months children  
are subject to disorder of the bowels and  
there receive the most careful  
attention. As soon as any unusual  
looseness of the bowels is noticed  
chambersley. Or to send a letter to  
Remedy should be given. For sale by  
all Chemists and Druggists.

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Agents for:—ADMIRALTY CHARTS,  
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Dealers in all kinds of High-class Silk Shirts,  
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The Only American Hotel in the Colony.  
Nice and quiet yet only a few minutes' walk from the Banks and  
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Under American Management. A new Dining Room has been opened at  
No. 2, Queen's Road (1st floor). Entrance from House St. Tiffin a speciality.  
For terms apply to Mrs. F. E. CAMERON, Proprietress.

**PALACE HOTEL**

(Two minutes from  
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of the proprietor, Bar and Billiard Rooms. Terms moderate. Special terms to  
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Telephone Kowloon 3. Telegraphic Add.: "PALACE"  
J. H. OXERREY, Proprietor.

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Leading Hotel in South China.

First class Accommodation. Electric Lights, Fans and  
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Splendid Views of City and Pearl River.  
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ALL ELECTRICITY TRANSFORMERS, Elevators,  
Hot and Cold Water, Heating, Ventilation,  
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Graduate of Tokyo Massage School,  
No. 28, Wyndham Street,  
Tel. Central 4395.**MASSAGE**K. SAKAI,  
T. KANAMORI  
18, Praya East, 2nd Floor.**MASSAGE.**Mrs. MONDA, Mrs. KINAKI and  
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Central.**YEE SING**GENTLEMEN'S  
TAILOR  
No. 182, 18 Wellington Street.



## INTIMATIONS.

## THE HONGKONG HIDE &amp; LEATHER CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, 67/69, Des Voeux Road Central, on MONDAY, 30th April, 1923, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Auditors together with a Statement of Account to 31st December, 1922, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd to the 30th April, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
E. PEPPERELL,  
Acting Secretary  
Hongkong, April 16, 1923.

## HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the Debenture Holders of the above named Company constituted by Trust Deed dated the 30th day of May 1914 and registered in the Land Office by Memorial No. 55358 and made between the said Company of the one part and The Honourable Mr. David Landale and Newton John Stubb (now Sir Newton John Stubb Kt.) as Trustees of the other part supplemented by an Indenture of Assignment made between the same parties and dated the 1st day of November 1916 and registered in the Land Office by Memorial No. 61189 (both of which are hereinafter included in the expression "the said Debenture Trust Deed") will be held at the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd day of May 1923 at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of considering any resolution or Extraordinary Resolutions assenting to certain proposed modifications of the rights of the Debenture Holders against the Company and authorising the Trustees to execute or concur in the execution of all such Agreements, Assignments, Deeds or other documents as they may deem or be advised to be expedient for carrying out such proposed modifications and for safe guarding the interests of the Debenture Holders.

This Notice is issued pursuant to the provisions contained in the Third Schedule to the Debenture Trust Deed. Dated this 20th day of April 1923.

By Order of the Board,  
L. S. GREENHILL,  
Secretary to the General Managers.

## LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on SATURDAY, 5th May, at Noon.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from 25th April, 1923 to 5th May 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
S. J. JORDAIN,  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, April 23, 1923.

## THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND GYMKHANA MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley, on SATURDAY, May 5th, commencing 3.15 p.m.

The Charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right of introducing 2 non-members to the members' enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Lindsay & Davis at \$5 each up to FRIDAY 4th May.

The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, April 24, 1923.

## THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 10th May, 1923, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1922.

The SHARE REGISTER AND TRANSFER BOOKS will be closed from the 26th instant to the 10th May, 1923, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, May 19, 1923.

## SWAY HOUSE

## HAT MAKER.

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## WANT ADVERTISEMENTS.

25 WORDS 2 INSERTIONS.  
\$1. PREPAID.  
Every additional word 4 Cents for 8 insertions.

## TO LET.

TO LET.—Seven-roomed detached house with tennis lawn and garage for two cars. Apply to PERCY SMITH, SMITH & FLEMING.

TO LET.—Kowloon, from 1st May. Charming furnished two-room apartment, kitchen, bathroom, servants' quarters. All modern conveniences. Apply D. COWEN, 1a, Armand Building, 9 to 10 a.m.

TO LET.—Two Airy Office Rooms on top floor of 6, Queen's Road Central. Apply to Gande, Price & Co., Ltd.

TO LET.—One European flat in "Lee Building" Wanchai Gap Road. Apply to No 32 Kennedy Road.

## FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—"Ibach" upright Piano. \$400 or near offer. Apply P. O. Box 259.

## FRENCH LESSONS

G. MOUSSON

15, Morrison Hill Road.

## INTIMATIONS.

## MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS WANTED.

MESSRS. DEACON, HARSTON & SHENION of No. 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Solicitors, have for investment the sum of \$300,000, and are prepared to consider applications for the advancement of the same on first class Mortgages of house property.

Hongkong, April 19, 1923.

## PEAK TRAMWAY CO., LTD.

## TIME TABLE

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## SPECIAL CARS.

By Arrangement at the Company's Office Alexander Building, Des Voeux Road.

1st May, 1923.

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## MONDAY next

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## MAIL WEEK NEWS.

## ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

An expert architect has been called in to inspect the famous crooked spire of Chesterfield Church, which is expected to go overboard in any decent gale. Its back is broken and the peeling of bells is forbidden.

In consequence of the lack of favourable opinion of North Borneo rubber companies, North Borneo is unlikely to be represented at the Sixth International Rubber and Tropical Products Exhibition, to be held in Brussels in 1924.

The King was an interested spectator of the annual Rugby football match between the Royal Navy and the Army at Twickenham. The Senior Service won by 2 goals and 2 tries to a goal and 2 tries—16 points to 11.

On the ground, it is alleged, that both Carpenter and Siki have gone back on their word to fight the revenge match for honour, and are now demanding the cinema rights and training expenses, the contest is indefinitely postponed.

Drastic cuts are recommended in the Income-tax report, which was published in India. A total reduction of 194 crores of rupees is proposed. The principal reduction is in military expenditure, which amounts to 10½ crores of rupees.

Laying the foundation-stone of a "House of Velasquez" and a National Fine Art School in Madrid, King Alfonso declared: "I am not a despot. I remain at my post, and will die there if necessary. A King of Spain can do no such thing as has been imputed to me." His Majesty was given a great ovation.

The conclusions drawn from statistics published in the year book of the Commonwealth of Australia are that British trade with Australia is nearly back to the pre-war level, that the Commonwealth population grows with alarming slowness, and that compulsory settlement of trade disputes does not work.

During the period from the Armistice to the end of last December the number of marriages contracted between members of the British Army of the Rhine and German women was approximately 400, states Lieut-Colonel Guinness, in Parliamentary Debates. He also mentions that the strength of the British Army on the Rhine on March 1 was 8,665 of all ranks.

Dr. Cook, who hoaxed the world over his reported discovery of the North Pole and also attracted attention in Calcutta by his attempt to obtain permission to climb Mount Everest which the Raj refused, has surrendered in Texas to answer a charge of using the mails to defraud the public in connection with the sale of oil shares in the Cook-Petroleum Producers' Association.

Latest statistics show that the United States has the highest divorce rate of all the civilized nations. One in eight of its marriages is dissolved by the courts. Last year 1,000,000 marriages were contracted throughout the country and the divorce court made 125,000 decrees. From these figures agitators for a reform of the marriage and divorce laws point out that 80,000 "divorce orphans" are created yearly in the United States, and that more than £1,000,000 is expended each year for the care of children born of parents who ought not to be allowed to marry.

One of the feats performed by the induction balance—an electrical instrument widely different from the chemical balance—has been to show that a coin undergoes loss even when a finger is rubbed over it. Coins likewise suffer much loss in weight by abrading each other's face when jangling in the pocket, and they are damaged each time a shopman rings them on his table to see whether they are genuine or not. An expert some years ago made a number of precise experiments, from which it was ascertained that £100 sterling worth of sovereigns lost £3 9s. 8d. of their value in a hundred years.

Ferdinand Nater, aged 52, a handsome and fashionably dressed man, has been sentenced at Zurich, states a Geneva wire of March 5, on a charge of obtaining money from 15 women under promises of marriage. Nater, pleaded: "I have a loving heart, and am quite unable to resist women." Most of the victims are young widows. Three of the five who were present in court tearfully besought the judge to liberate Nater, the other two intimating that they would take action for breach of promise. Nater declared that the majority of the women themselves proposed marriage. He was sentenced to two years imprisonment and three years' loss of civic rights.

## SHADOWS BEFORE.

## Coming Events Advertised In The Mail.

## ENTERTAINMENT.

April 25.—Coronet Theatre; Douglas Fairbanks in "The Nut".  
April 25.—World Theatre; The Great Fight for the Middleweight Championship of Europe (Kid) Lewis v. Roland Todd; also Wanda Hawley in "Her Sturdy Oak".  
April 25.—Star Theatre; at 5.30 p.m. "Black Beauty" at 9.15 p.m. "Intolerance".  
May 7.—Concert at Government House in aid of welfare work 9.15 p.m.

## SPORTING EVENTS.

April 25.—H.K.C.C. T. T. Challenge round of open Championship doubles.  
April 25.—Inter-School sports at Happy Valley.  
April 26.—H.K.C.C. T. T. Handicap Doubles, final.  
April 27.—H.K.C.C. T. T. Mixed Doubles, final.  
April 28.—H.K.C.C. T. T. Challenge Round Open Championship Doubles.  
April 30.—Final Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral, by Mr. Denman Fuller, 6 p.m.  
May 5.—Second Gymkhana at Happy Valley.

## PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

April 27.—Lammert Bros., at their Duddell Street Sales Rooms, a quantity of valuable household furniture, at 2.30 p.m.  
April 27.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, a valuable collection of postage stamps, at 5.15 p.m.  
April 30.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Rooms, the wreck of the s.s. "Nichiren Maru," at noon.  
April 30.—Lammert Bros., at No. 20, Chamberlain Road, Peak, valuable household furniture belonging to Mr. E. Howard, at 2.45 p.m.  
May 3.—Lammert Bros., valuable household property known as 13, Macdonell Road at Auctioneers' Office, 3 p.m.

## COMPANY MEETINGS.

April 28.—Ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., at the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, at 11.30 a.m., and the twenty-eighth ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Shanghai Hotel Ltd., at same place, at noon.  
April 30.—First general meeting of the Hongkong Hide and Leather Co., Ltd. at 67-69, Des Voeux Road, Central, at 12.15 p.m.  
May 2.—General meeting of debenture holders in the Hongkong Central Estate, Ltd. at Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co.'s offices, at 11.30 a.m.  
May 3.—Extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Central Estate Ltd., at the offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, at noon.  
May 3.—Extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Limited at the offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, at 11.30 a.m.  
May 5.—First annual ordinary general meeting of Lane, Crawford, Ltd. at the Hongkong Hotel at noon.  
May 10.—Forty-second ordinary general meeting of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. at Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., at noon.

## OTHER MEETING.

April 25.—Annual general meeting of Kowloon Bowling Green Club members, 5.45 p.m.

## UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

## THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LTD.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited):

Gibbins, from Shanghai.  
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1333, from Shanghai.  
Machikong, from Peking.  
Yeekee, from Kelp.  
Englio Co. 35 Queen's Road Central, from Amoy.  
Hanshuang Pingsan Hotel, from Shanghai.  
Ongkaysoon 58 Bonham West, from Nio.  
Mr. Yip Kwongchingheung Sheungwan, from Shanghai.  
Tungnow & Co., from Shanghai.  
Wongkayuen, from Amoy.  
2850, from Yantai.  
3782, from Ningpo.

N. LUND,  
Act. Superintendent.  
Hongkong, April 16, 1923.

## EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALASIA &amp; CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.

List of unclaimed telegrams lying in E. E. Telegraph Office, Hongkong:  
Charles Lee, from American Consul, from Bangkok.  
Firay, from Lucho.  
Tomahoy, from Bangkok.  
Rosario, from Saigon.  
Wilson Robertson & Company, from Manila.  
B. M. MACALPINE,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, April 19, 1923.

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## LEEKES AND FLAGS.

## EDINBURGH STUDENTS' FROLICS.

## LLOYD GEORGE'S WELCOME.

Mr. Lloyd George received a boisterous welcome from the Edinburgh students when he delivered his Rectorial address in the M'Ewan Hall.

His carriage was hauled by the enthusiasts from S. Alfred Ewing's house in Moray Place, in which he had spent the night, to the West-End, and thence to the hall. The carriage was gaily adorned with flags and bunting, and leekes were prominently displayed.

One placed announced that in the vehicle was "David among the Philistines." It was shown on the front, while on the sides were placards which declared "We won't sink, though we've sprung a Leek" and that the ex-Premier was "David the Little Giant." On the box seat were two Welsh students in national costume.

The carriage was drawn by 40 bare-headed University blues, who wore their blazers. A public welcome greeted Mr. Lloyd George in Princes Street, but there was not much cheering.

The students who were fortunate in securing admission tickets were early seated in the M'Ewan Hall, where they kept the fun going fast and furious.

Meanwhile there were signs of boisterous spirits outside. Rotten eggs and fruit and bags of peace-meal were thrown. A rush was made for the gallery door by those who had no tickets: It was resisted by the police, and then a fusillade broke out, the police being bombarded in student fashion. The alleged ringleader was arrested, and then another who protested, and seized a detective by the collar, was taken in charge. Both were conveyed to the City Police Office, one being charged with throwing missiles and the other with attempting to rescue his friend. Later they were released.

## GUARDS' OFFICER FINED.



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WHITE VOILE  
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## DEATHS.

**AUCOTT.**—At Victoria B.C. on the 17th April, Ernest James John, aged 11 years, the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Aucott.

**REMEDIOS.**—On April 24 at No. 6, Hunghay Avenue, Kowloon, SARA AUGUSTA, the beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vasco L. dos Remedios, aged 25 years (Shanghai, Manila, Macao and Japan papers please copy.)

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 1923.

## WHEELS WITHIN WHEELS.

Trivial things like voice, mannerism and dress have been known to decide the fate of men being tried for their lives. Jury men have even been known to discount evidence because the witness had been seen reading a certain sporting journal in court, and they would not (they "have later avowed") believe a man on his oath who read a paper like that. But remarkable though these examples of psychology are they find equally amazing parallels in the factors which often decide the fate of nations, of civilisations even. France has just provided a notable instance in the Ruhr invasion. With the country's huge budget deficit growing ever greater, her politicians found themselves in a truly awkward dilemma. Either they must secure the reparations money or they must increase taxation. The first course meant untold perils but the second promised certain defeat when the next election came round. Therefore they invaded Germany. And the history of Europe took a new turn. Thus the French peasant, concerned only with his own pocket, decides the fate of a whole world. Likewise the American Middle West farmer, dominating Congress, retards economic recovery by holding Bri-

tain to her huge debt and forcing her, in turn, to press other nations labouring under the war's terrible burdens. Similar examples are legion. They are found in every country. The voter, seeing usually only his own selfish interest, sways the politician and the politician, fearing for his seat, follows dictates which have untold consequences. With every nation being ruled largely this same way you have modern diplomacy—slow, unwieldy, futile. But the voter, with his quite human impulses, is not wholly to blame. Politicians intrigue among themselves and play with a nation's fate, a world's destiny, for their own selfish ends. Study Cabinet history during the past twenty years and you will speedily learn that. The specific case which has prompted these remarks is mentioned among to-day's later cables. President Harding is found defending America's decision to participate in the Court of International Justice. Any detached observer would think this action, eminently sensible, required little defence. But then he would forget politics. Anxious to discredit Mr. Harding's prospects in the coming election, political opponents have been quick to insinuate that the decision means entry into the League, the unloved League which, as a political issue, has already cost one able President his seat. But the League apart, responsible American journals state that the Senate leaders opposing America's entry into the World Court are all nursing presidential ambitions of their own. And they realise that should he achieve success with this issue, Mr. Harding would materially enhance his prospects for re-nomination and re-election. Thus, once more, are the great causes of humanity made the playthings of scheming politicians.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Four cases of small-pox and one of cerebro-spinal fever were notified yesterday. All the patients were Chinese.

Lt. H. J. Mortimer of the Hongkong and Singapore Bn. R.G.A. has been granted leave from 26th October on private affairs.

Command orders state that the official rate of the dollar for all payments fixed in sterling, which have to be made in Hongkong and on the China Station during the month of May, will be 2s. 3d.

The Cheung Chau Government school is to hold its first annual sports meeting on the Football Ground at Cheung Chau next Saturday at 12.30 p.m. Mrs. Alabaster will present the prizes at 4.30.

First-class caterers are required for service on the local trains of the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section) and for the refreshment rooms at Kowloon. Details will be found in the advertisement columns.

Much regret is felt by lawyers practising in the Mixed Court, Shanghai, at the retirement from the bench on the 18th inst. of Mr. A. D. Blackburn, Senior British Assessor, who is shortly going on furlough prior to promotion to a Consular post in the interior. As British Assessor, the retiring Assessor has been made the recipient of a number of tokens of regard by the Court staff and others.

For stealing an overcoat belonging to Mr. Joseph and a felt-hat the property of Mr. M. Ellis, who reside at a new house in Caine Road, a Chinese was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy this morning. According to Sub-Inspector R. Lanigan of No. 7 Station, defendant is believed to have climbed up a bamboo pole to the verandah from which he entered the house.

Regarding the matter of additional accommodation at the Children's Playground at Kowloon, to which reference was made in the summary of recent activities of the Kowloon Residents' Association published yesterday, Mr. T. A. Martin, the hon. secretary, states that the Government has now intimated its intention to erect a temporary match in order to afford the children additional shade during the summer months.

The Sanitary Board met yesterday afternoon when letters were received from the Colonial Secretary, notifying the appointment of Lieut.-Col. F. G. Fitzgerald, D.S.O., R.A.M.C., to a place on the Board and the election of Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., C.B.E. On the proposition of Mr. G. R. Sayer, the President, Dr. Koch and Mr. S. W. Tso were selected to consider and report upon the Sanitary Department's proposals regarding the Estimates.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Professor Charles A. Beard, an American authority on civic problems, was an interested spectator at the Shanghai Mixed Court last week.

According to a *Daily Bulletin* telegram, Prince Aimone di Savoia is seriously suffering from double pneumonia in the Shanghai General Hospital.

Mr. Sidney Barton, C.M.G., H.M. Consul-General, is to perform the opening ceremony of the new building of the Chartered Bank next Saturday in Shanghai.

Mr. Somerset Maugham, the well-known playwright, who has been staying in Peking for some time, recently left for Japan travelling through Korea on his way to England via America.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain has been appointed Minister of Health in succession to Sir Arthur Boswell, and Sir William Joynson-Hicks succeeds Mr. Chamberlain as Postmaster-General.

The King held the first Levee of the season in mail week at St. James's Palace. As is usual on the occasion of the first levee of the year, the attendance was almost entirely diplomatic, naval and military.

At the request of Queen Alexandra, the Marchioness Curzon of Kedleston has undertaken to organise a ball at Lansdowne House in aid of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses. The ball takes place on April 26.

Home papers announce the death, in his 66th year, of the Earl of Plymouth, who will be more particularly remembered by Londoners for his successful efforts to save the Crystal Palace and its grounds from the hands of the suburban builder.

## ELSEWHERE.

(TOM WRIGHT STUFF.)

When I was a boy I could not understand why Eugene Sue made his wandering Jew unhappy. It seemed to me a fine life, and rather an advantage than otherwise that he need not fear death in some foreign hospital. He got lots of scenery, and wasn't bothered with passports. Now that age is putting its chop on me, I begin to savvy. Looking back I seem to discover that I have rarely got the full savour of any place I have been in, because I have always in every place had a part of my mind scouting ahead to that unexplored locality that bears the name of Elsewhere. I am always going there, and never arriving. Did I stop to taste the famous ale in the Black Horse at Steving in Sussex, or walk over Lavant near Goodwood from Chichester to the Horse and Groom in Singleton, was my mind on Midhurst to which I should in a few hours come? No, it was in Africa, thinking that though the roads might be worse in Rhodesia, the shooting would be better. In the Spread Eagle at Midhurst, an old Carolean inn you ought to visit some day, an inn which I now in mid Pacific, am thinking of as Elsewhere and to be mined for again or ever many moons have waned, I would fall to thinking of Australia, and how pleasant it must be to be a sunowner. When anon I was a sunowner, humming my swag in my "bluey" like the best of them, I spent long moments thinking about the isles of the Pacific, and the taste of Polynesian got mixed, I remember, with the flavour of Hongkong, not because Hongkong was Hongkong (as I thought at the time) but because it was Elsewhere. So here I lately began to think of Paris, but the recent political eccentricities of the French having put both Paris and Tahiti out of the Elsewhere likelihoods, I am thinking of Canada. I met a Canadian on a seat in a local park and talked with him long about his country. As is the way of Canadians, he praised it. I told him about the inns at Home, and particularly that tale of the rustic who asked the landlord of a Sussex inn what the "stop press" bare space in the paper from Lunnon was for. "Tis for in case some 'portant news come late," I be told, "said mine host of the inn, looking benignly upon his flock of faithfuls. "Nay," said Jarge, "I dunt believe that's the reason." "Well then, Jarge," said Boniface, yinking at the others, "what do you suppose it be for?" "O! do think it be left bare for they pore souls as haven't been larned for to read," said Jarge.

When I overheard little things like that, the burden of Elsewhere is not so heavy upon me. My Canadian told me, sitting on this seat in a Honolulu park, a story of a professor of thought-reading who conducted a class in that "science." One of his most promising pupils was a young lady in whom, as was not unnatural, a young gentleman was not uninterested. She persuaded the young man to join the class, and sat beside him at the seances. One afternoon, without a word spoken, she turned on the young man and violently boxed his ears.

Naturally, I went again to meet that Canadian, but found another man occupying the seat. He was a little plump man with blue eyes and a happy expression. I asked him if he minded sharing the seat, and his reply showed me that he was a Londoner. We talked, and I learned that he originated in East Ham. Some man had heartlessly advised him that this was a good place to come to look for work. He operates lifts, acts as janitor, and so on. He had not found a job, and was reconciled to going back to Vancouver. He "aired" me when speaking. There are three ways of saying "sir." There is Dr. Johnson's way, which is rhetorical merely, and for emphasis. There is the southern American way, which is a cliché, and carries no respect; and there is the English way, which does. My happy little man who had failed to find a job had been an atheist since 17, and quoted Bradlaugh, Ingessall, Shelley, and others with a remarkable fluency. He called my attention to the beautiful colours of the foliage about us, and the wonderful light effects. One of his remarks was (and I loved him for it):

"Why should I respect Mrs. Grundy? I am not related to her. She is not a member of our royal family. I believe in adaptation: Same as Darwin talks about. Great man Darwin. In a climate like this I don't eat three meat meals a day, for instance. Don't need 'em. Mrs. Grundy makes men eat what isn't good for them in places like this. I believe her. Take socks, for example. What do we wear socks for? To keep our feet warm. But in this climate we cannot but have warm feet."

Brava little man! I know that this adaptation was somewhat encouraged by dearth of cash. I have been there myself. I said that he regarded the wearing of socks. I did not think the object was to have

## "CHINESE MEDICINE" FOR SHANGHAI.

Sixteen hundred pounds of raw opium contained in nine large cases, intended for export to Shanghai, were seized by Detective Sergeant O'Connor and a number of police on board the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company's steamer "Tal Shun" lying alongside the company's wharf at West Point, yesterday morning.

The cases were placed in the hold of the ship bearing marks "Chinese medicine." The description of the contents according to the manifest was also Chinese medicine and a Chinese firm in Hillier Street was supposed to be the exporters. Inquiries revealed that the address and shipper's name were fictitious.

## STUDENT ARRESTED.

After the seizure was effected a number of Revenue Officers waited at the China Merchant offices as freight had not been paid on the nine cases. A Chinese student turned up and he was arrested, giving his name as Mak Chi-wing and an address at the Yan Wo boarding-house, Connaught Road Central. At the Imports & Exports office he said that he had been asked by a friend who he met in the street to pay the freight. He was accordingly charged with exporting or attempting to export and alternatively, with unlawful possession of 1,606 pounds of raw opium valued at \$60,000. Bail was granted in the sum of \$5,000 which was quickly forthcoming and the student was released.

This morning Mr. H. A. Taylor, assistant superintendent and monopoly analyst of the Imports and Exports Department appeared before Mr. J. R. Wood to prosecute but the student had "jumped bail." The Magistrate asked what Mr. Taylor wished to be done and Mr. Taylor said that the amount of bail had been fixed after consultation with Mr. Lloyd, the superintendent. He, therefore, asked for the bail to be estreated.

His Worship made the order as requested.

## SOUTH CHINA ATHELETES.

## SATURDAY'S FAREWELL MATCH.

In spite of the numerous institutions which have sprung up in recent years in this Colony, the constant calls in respect of them made on the purses of the community, the support accorded to the South China Athletic Association is unceasing. In fact, it has become more enthusiastic as is seen from the results of the annual membership campaign just ended.

According to Mr. C. F. Yuen, acting honorary secretary to the association, they show a total number of 135 members, and an amount of \$11,602.50 which are slightly over and above last year's figures. The above sum includes a second donation of \$2,000 from Mr. H. M. H. Nemaze and \$100 from The Asiatic Petroleum Co. (S.C.) Ltd. This is no doubt due to the efforts made by the majority of its members and the awakening of the Chinese general public to the importance of physical education towards which the South China Athletic Association has done a great deal.

Before the departure of its athletes consisting of footballers, baseballers, etc., for Japan to take part in the approaching Far Eastern Olympic Games, there will be a farewell match between the teams of this association and of the Hongkong Football Club (not Kowloon as wrongly given on the admission tickets) on Saturday, the 28th instant at 5 p.m., on the Club Ground. It will be remembered that the South China Team have been holding the Far Eastern Olympic Championship for four successive terms, and it is hoped that they will retain it in the next meet. A good game is expected on Saturday.

warm feet. It was more to keep them from chafing.

He was that rare thing, a generous controversialist. He said promptly, "Now I think of it, you are probably right there, sir. As a matter of fact, there is some skin off some of my toes now."

Not to be out-done in generosity, I said I had read that in the Foreign Legion of the French Army socks were not issued, and not worn, even on long marches, so that perhaps it was possible to learn to do without them. Personally, if it were only Mrs. Grundy who was concerned, I would not wear them, as now that I had no female to darn for me they were my chief problem. I wore them until they were discoloured and then I bought new ones. I had tried to go without, but my feet got sore.

It was a bond of sympathy. We sat talking all that afternoon, and we have arranged to write to each other to-morrow afternoon. I shall wear socks. But then, I shall be moving in the direction of Elsewhere, so that I shall be happy, even if his talk did not make me so.

## HOUSING PROBLEM.

## SUGGESTIONS BY CHINESE CHAMBERS.

## GOVERNMENT AID URGED.

The sub-committee appointed by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to investigate the housing problem has now submitted its report to the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, Chairman of the Housing Commission. It was a sub-committee of eight and included the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Building Contractors' Association.

The points submitted to the Housing Commission were—

- (1) The standardization (with the object of reducing the cost of buildings) of
  - (a) designs for houses.
  - (b) fixtures and fittings for houses.
- (2) The reduction of the cost of building materials.
- (3) The use of cheaper or more suitable kinds of building materials.
- (4) The greater employment of labour-saving machines or devices.
- (5) Improved methods for the transportation of building materials.
- (6) Procuring an increased supply of skilled labourers.
- (7) Reducing the number of middlemen.
- (8) Other methods for reducing the cost of house construction.

Measures which should be taken by the Government for promoting any of the above objects.

Measures which should be taken by the Government—

- (1) To increase the quantity of housing accommodation; and in particular
- (2) To facilitate the building of more houses for occupation by
  - (i) Persons of moderate means.
  - (ii) The working classes.

## RECOMMENDATIONS MADE.

The following is the report of the Chamber's committee—

- (1) and (2) and (3): We suggest that the Government be asked to modify the existing regulations relating to designs and not to be too strict and stringent on the use of building materials. If the materials used are of a strong and lasting nature they should be passed. It will be necessary for the Building Authorities to suggest a model design of some sort and invite the public to offer its opinion on same.
- (4): The Government should allot to building contractors at the lowest possible price one or two pieces of land whereto erect large workshops for keeping labour saving machines.
- (5): The Government should be approached to erect one or two piers at convenient centres or build several large lighters solely for the purpose of allowing builders to transport materials. This will reduce transportation expenses, because there is no spare ground where building materials could be placed, and in case materials transported from the interior of China arrived here and were unable to unload in time, they must be kept in the junks and incur very heavy expenses.

## NO SHORTAGE OF SKILLED LABOUR.

(6): There is no scarcity of skilled labourers, and procurement of more such is not difficult, but the labourers in the interior of China would always hesitate coming to Hongkong considering the high rent and the high cost of living here, and therefore unless an increase of wages is obtained, there would be no inducement for them to come. We would ask the Government to grant builders permission to erect temporary matcheds on or near the spot where houses are being built and allow a great majority of the workmen to dwell there, thus avoiding having to pay rent and time to and fro. It will then become easier to obtain cheap and skilled labour.

(7): The service of a middleman is almost indispensable. In the case of direct employment, the workmen always insist upon being paid by the day irrespective of the amount of work done, and what can ordinarily be accomplished in one day will take them two or three days to do. On the contrary if the work is done through a middleman, what generally takes two days to complete may be finished in one day. Nowadays the big docking companies, in the Colony, mostly adopt this method of getting work done through middlemen, which proves the advisability and benefit so to do.

(8): Brick, tile and lime are the principal materials for building and the Government should think of some means of encouraging these industries, such as a free gift of land to carry on the work. Moreover, cement is also a great requisite for building, the use of which has grown much more popular now than was before. As there is only the Green Island Cement Company in the Colony, the demand is often greater than the supply, causing the natural result of a rapid advance in price. The Government

should therefore encourage the formation of another cement company.

GOVERNMENT AID URGED.

The report concludes: "Taking the average Chinese tenement house as a basis, the present cost of building one would be something between \$4,000 to \$5,000. Plus the cost of land the figure would amount to somewhere between \$8,000 to \$9,000. Even assuming that all the suggestions for minimising expenses as mentioned above were practicable, we can at the best obtain a reduction of \$700 or \$800 only, which cannot possibly reduce the rental by more than 10 per cent. and this is no great help. This Chamber is strongly of the opinion that the Government should be urged to build two or three hundred houses in each of the following districts, viz. Causeway Bay, Kennedy Town, Yau-mat, and Mongkoktsui, etc. and also extend the tram lines so as to make them easily accessible. The Government could build these houses at a cost of \$4,000 or \$5,000 each and reckoning on a five or six per cent. return, each house could be let at \$20 to \$30 a month. Thus the middle class and the working class inhabitants in the Colony will be rescued from the hardship of paying high and excessive rent and simultaneously the rent in the whole Colony will be restored to its normal condition. My Committee cannot too strongly emphasize the fact that this would be the only solution of the problem and beg that their views be represented to the Government."

Attached to the report are sketches of two types of buildings, one of them suitable for persons of moderate means and the other for the working class, the construction costs of which are estimated at \$7,500 and \$2,200 respectively.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## IRISH LOYALISTS' NEEDS.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

Sir,—I desire to enlist the sympathy of your readers for the Loyalists of Southern Ireland, who have endured many grievous wrongs and are now in dire distress and affliction owing to the recent political events in that country. These people, who have ever been law-abiding and inoffensive citizens, have suffered intolerable things during the last four years. They have seen parents, children and friends murdered, their womenfolk foully misused, their property looted and their homes destroyed. Some, still clinging to the wrecks of what they once possessed, are living a life of strain and persecution in Ireland; thousands have been compelled to leave the land they loved, and are penniless refugees in Great Britain.

This Association has done and is doing all in its power to help them, irrespective of creed, by grants of money to enable them to carry on until they can find occupation; by helping them to find employment, and by assisting them to secure homes. Clothing has been provided for several hundreds, among them, persons who have never before lacked the means to clothe themselves. But all that the Association has been able to do is small compared with the mass of misery that presents itself for relief.

People once affluent are reduced to poverty; those less prosperous are destitute. Young men and women have had to leave schools and universities when on the threshold of a promising future—all are confronted with the task of starting afresh in life at a time of commercial and industrial depression and of financial stress.

In these circumstances the Association has to look for aid for support, and they feel they can appeal to no more sympathetic people than their fellow Dominion compatriots. It may be that some among your readers may reflect that distress and its relief know nothing of distance and are bounded only by the limits of humanity—I am, etc.,

J. M. RAYMOND,

Hon. Director.

Southern Irish Loyalists Relief Association,

12, Palmer Street,

Westminster,

London, S. W.1.

March 20, 1923.

[This Association is strictly non-political and non-sectarian, and has for its sole object the relief of the distressed.]

## CHINA MAIL S.S. CO.

## SAILINGS CANCELLED.

It is announced at the offices of the China Mail Steamship Company that all sailings of the company's steamers have been temporarily cancelled.

The S.S. "China" is a port and was to have gone into dry-dock to have her engines overhauled. The "Nile" left here on the 18th, bound for San Francisco, and presumably will be laid up on arrival there.

should therefore encourage the formation of another cement company.

## GOVERNMENT AID URGED.

The report concludes: "Taking the average Chinese tenement house as a basis, the present cost of building one would be something between \$4,000 to \$5,000. Plus the cost of land the figure would amount to somewhere between \$8,000 to \$9,000. Even assuming that all the suggestions for minimising expenses as mentioned above were practicable, we can at the best obtain a reduction of \$700 or \$800 only, which cannot possibly reduce the rental by more than 10 per cent. and this is no great help. This Chamber is strongly of the opinion that the Government should be urged to build two or three hundred houses in each of the following districts, viz. Causeway Bay, Kennedy Town, Yau-mat, and Mongkoktsui, etc. and also extend the tram lines so as to make them easily accessible. The Government could build these houses at a cost of \$4,000 or \$5,000 each and reckoning on a five or six per cent. return, each house could be let at \$20 to \$30 a month. Thus the middle class and the working class inhabitants in the Colony will be rescued from the hardship of paying high and excessive rent and simultaneously the rent in the whole Colony will be restored to its normal condition. My Committee cannot too strongly emphasize the fact that this would be the only solution of the problem and beg that their views be represented to the Government."

Attached to the report are sketches of two types of buildings, one of them suitable for persons of moderate means and the other for the working class, the construction costs of which are estimated at \$7,500 and \$2,200 respectively.



## CANTON CONFLICT.

## SUN AND EX-PREMIER.

## WU PEI-FU'S TROOPS RETREATING

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, April 25.

It is reported that Dr. C. H. Wang, the ex-Premier, was favourably received by Dr. Sun Yat-sen. Dr. Sun is said to have pointed out to Dr. Wang, that being a Cantonese, his (Dr. Wang's) public services would reap more fruits if put to use in Kwangtung where the disturbed conditions were acute and that he would be welcomed in his native province. The ex-Premier is said to have replied that as he had accepted an international judicial appointment at the Hague, he had no option but to decline.

Authoritative advice has been received that the Northern troops despatched by Marshal Wu Pei-fu to aid Shun Kung-yang's defeated Kwangsi-ites, have come to the conclusion that the situation is too far gone to retrieve and are moving towards the Kiangsi-Hunan border without fighting.

## SUN'S MONEY TROUBLES.

CANTON, April 24.

No further reports of fighting on any scale have been received and it seems as if the Kwangsi element has been defeated all along the line. If Shun's men, with assistance from Wu Pei-fu, were capable of offering resistance they would have done so by now. The latest advice is to the effect that Shun is moving towards Nam Hung, the town on the important caravan route to the north.

In spite of the prestige created by the victories, Sun's adherents are hard pressed for money. Several schemes are in the air to raise urgent funds but the people do not seem keen to comply with requests. One vernacular paper has already reported that the salt merchants have received instructions to pay some of the monopoly revenues in advance. To-day another mentions that the Finance Department has written to a large number of firms and shops requesting loans of \$1,000 from each. A rumour has also been freely circulated to effect that the authorities will impose a tax of one month's rent on all premises. The Yunnan troops are gradually taking over that part of the Yueh-Han Railway vacated by the Kwangsi-ites but there seems little possibility of their turning in the revenues as they will require the receipts, which the service is resuming, for their own upkeep.

Yang Hsi-nan convened a meeting of the leaders of the various denominations supporting Sun at which it was agreed that the campaign against the Kwangsi-ites should be pursued till the latter were driven out of Kwangtung, when Yang Tak, Shiu Kwan and Nam Hung would be specially garrisoned to prepare for any further hostilities with the Northerners.

## AGRICULTURAL STATION ATTACK.

A story which has been related and credited in Canton, regarding the Kwangsi attack on the Agricultural Experimental Station, at that time the headquarters of Yang Hsi-nan, commander-in-chief of the Yunnanese troops in Kwangtung, goes to the effect that a picked detachment of Kwangsi-ites led by Li Yik-piu in person was detailed to attack a certain building in which Yang was supposed to have been staying. Yang is said to have received warning in the nick of time and to have escaped through the loyalty of some of his bodyguards.

About twelve of them, with their chief, are said to have seized a number of mausers and rushed through a side door, firing rapidly at the Kwangsi-ites. More than half of the guards are reported to have been killed but Yang escaped to Canton. Some of the Kwangsi-ites were shot down, this probably starting the rumour circulated at the beginning of the campaign, that Li Yik-piu had either been killed or wounded.

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## CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

## ARMS ON A JUNK.

The trial of five Chinese, charged with unlawful possession of arms aboard a junk, was continued at the Criminal Sessions to-day before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) and a jury.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. F. C. Jenkin opened the case for the defence. Counsel described the case as an unusual one and asked the jury not to pay too much attention to the evidence of Sergt. Snare, who, he asserted, had deliberately tried to make a better case out of what was already a good one.

In outlining the case, Mr. Jenkin said that between 5 and 5.30 a.m. a man, accompanied by two coolies, came aboard and said he wanted three bags taken to a junk in the harbour. The bags were placed in the hold and the man who had brought them left the junk saying he would return later. The junk waited until 10 a.m., when a man came to engage it to remove 31 bags of feathers from the s.s. "Taiwah Maru." Very shortly after, the police boarded the boat.

The boat-woman stated that she thought the bags contained axes and axe handles. She informed the Police Sergeant that she was taking the bags to the Water Police Station, her reason being that her mother had done so on a former occasion.

## THIS MORNING'S EVIDENCE.

When the case was resumed this morning, the Court was crowded with boat-people who took a great interest in the proceedings. Mr. Jenkin called the second prisoner (a woman) who stated the lower hold was used as a kitchen. There would not be room in it for the two sacks in addition to the stoves and pans.

In reply to the prosecution, witness said if the furniture was removed, it would be possible to store the sacks. "When we had fetched the feathers from the Japanese ship, we should have stored the feathers in the lower hold. I have no camphor-wood box on my junk. All my boxes are kept in the stern hold."

The witness again asserted that it was her intention to take the two sacks of arms to the Water Police. "I did not know that the sacks contained arms. I put them in the hold until the owner came to claim them." The witness mentioned another bag, the contents of which eventually proved to be revolvers. The witness said she had been promised \$2.00 for removing the sacks, but the money had not yet been paid. She denied that any bag was open when the police found it. At the time the police arrived prisoner No. 4 was feeding off the launch from the junk.

The third accused (also a woman) said she was making some tea, when the sacks were brought on board. She added that the previous witness had lifted up the boards and showed the bags to the police. She denied having thrown any sacks overboard, as alleged by the police-sergeant. One of the children, witness said, had accidentally knocked a tin of tea overboard.

In cross-examination, she stated that there were two boat-hooks on board the junk. She denied that she had lifted a board, as stated by the engineer on the police launch.

By the Court:—The children on board are mine. The other accused are no relations of mine.

Chow Yao-po was called next for the defence. He is employed in a firm in Wenlock Street. His firm was expecting a cargo of feathers and the cargo runner was sent to make arrangements for the cargo being brought ashore.

The runner gave evidence as to how hardware is carried on junks. He was detained at the Water Police Station and later was sent for to the Central Station. This was a week after his arrest. He engaged the junk of accused No. 1 to go and fetch the feathers. He had engaged the same junk on three previous occasions last year. The case is proceeding.

## MURDER TRIAL.

## ACCUSED MAN'S DENIAL.

Before His Honour, the Chief Justice (Sir William Lees-Davies), the murder trial, in which Wu Kwong-chow is charged, was continued this morning. The case had May 1 to their passage rates from Hongkong, Manila and Shanghai to Marseilles will be reduced as follows:

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The case against Lam Chun, who is charged with having aided Kwong-chow in the robbery and murder, will be heard to-morrow morning.

## CHINA COAST.

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Mr. J. Said, third engineer, "Shanghai," is on reserve. Mr. J. Gordon, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Shanghai." Mr. G. Henderson, third engineer, "Chungking," is on reserve. Mr. W. G. Ramsay, from reserve, has gone supply chief engineer, "Liangchow." Mr. W. Sharp, from reserve, has gone supply second engineer, "Liangchow."

Mr. A. McPherson, third engineer, "Shanghai," is on reserve. Mr. W. Rydon, chief officer, "Kwonggang," has gone acting master, "Liang." Captain J. F. Xicoll, of the "Liang," is on reserve.

Mr. A. Woodley, second officer, "Hopsang," has gone acting chief officer, "Kwonggang." Captain J. Campbell, of the "Hopsang," is on reserve. Mr. R. C. Thompson, chief officer, "Hopsang," has gone acting master, same ship.

Mr. A. J. N. Wood, second officer, "Kungwo," has gone acting chief officer, "Hopsang." Mr. R. Thomson, from leave, has gone second engineer, "Tungwo." Mr. R. E. Laker, from leave, has gone second engineer, "Loongwo." Mr. T. Dunstan, second engineer, "Loongwo," is on reserve.

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An inquest was held by Mr. A. Covey, H.M. Acting Coroner, at the Shanghai Mortuary last week, on the body of a man believed to be William Payne, a member of the crew of the str. "Canadian Inventor," who was last seen on his ship on January 18 last. A verdict of found drowned was returned.

Inspector Mellows, of the River police, stated that on January 22 a man was reported missing from the "Canadian Inventor." His name was given as William Payne, who was last seen on board, on the 18th of that month. He was described as having one leg shorter than the other, dressed at the time in engine room overalls. On Wednesday morning a constable in the River Police saw the body at Holt's Wharf. Thinking it to be that of a Chinese, the body was handed over to the Chinese authorities.

They, however, discovered a document on deceased which proved to be the discharge of a man called Payne from the str. "Monteagle," dated November 1, 1922. The paper showed that he was signed on September 21, 1922, at Victoria, B. C. The year of birth was stated to be 1882. There were no marks of violence.

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## MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The B.L. s.s. "Benary" from Mid-  
dleboro, Antwerp and London left  
Singapore for this port on Apr. 19 and  
may be expected to arrive here to-  
day.The N.Y.K. s.s. "Sado Maru" (Bom-  
bay Line) left Moji for Hongkong on  
Apr. 24 and is expected here on Apr. 27.The B.P. s.s. "Glaucus" left Liver-  
pool on Mar. 24 for Penang, Port Swet-  
land, Singapore, Hongkong and  
Shanghai and is due here on Apr. 28.The N.Y.K. s.s. "Yamagata Maru"  
(Calcutta Line) left Kobe for Hongkong  
via Moji on Apr. 24 and is expected here  
on May 4.The N.Y.K. s.s. "Banakura Maru"  
(Bombay Line) left Bombay for Hong-  
kong via Singapore on Apr. 17 and is  
expected here on May 4.The O.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia"  
left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan  
ports, Shanghai on Apr. 19 and is due  
here on May 6.The N.Y.K. s.s. "Ozaka Maru" (Cal-  
cutta Line) left Calcutta for Hongkong  
via Rangoon on Apr. 23 and is expected  
here on May 6.The N.Y.K. s.s. "Toyohashi Maru"  
(Liverpool Line) left Kobe for Hongkong  
via Moji on Apr. 23 and is expected  
here on May 6.The N.Y.K. s.s. "Elmwood" left Liver-  
pool on Apr. 7 for Singapore, Hongkong,  
Shanghai and Hankow, and is due here  
on or about May 10.The B.P. s.s. "Myrmidon" left Liver-  
pool on Apr. 6 for Singapore, Hongkong,  
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is  
due at this port on or about May 14.The P.M. s.s. "President Wilson"  
sails homeward for San Francisco via  
usual ports to day. She arrives at San  
Francisco on May 17.The B.P. s.s. "Glaucus" left Liver-  
pool on Apr. 14 for Hongkong, Shanghai,  
Kobe and Yokohama and is due here on or  
about May 17.The N.Y.K. s.s. "Katori Maru" (Bom-  
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via Manila and ports on Apr. 14 and  
is expected here on May 21.CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.  
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cleared after April 28 will be subject  
to rent. Agents—Arnhold & Co., Ltd.Cargo arrived by the s.s. "City of  
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### QUEEREST FIGHT.

WHY SIKI AND MCTIGUE  
DEFIED REBELS.

Describing his visit to Dublin to see the Siki-McTigue fight there, Mr. B. Bennison in the *Daily Telegraph* wrote:—  
I am back but a few hours ago from Dublin, poor, nervous, cruelly-changed Dublin—not dear, dreamy, dirty Dublin I once knew and loved, but a city of whispers, a city all mistrust, an armed Dublin. As I write I feel as a man who has emerged from a nightmare of ugliness; I have stalked abroad with violence and death at my elbow; and I shiver and shudder.

My mission to Dublin was to see the fight between Battling Siki and Mike McTigue. No such contest, not in all the years I have been associated with sport, has given off such an atmosphere; the like of it can never be again, none will ever be pitched on such a cockpit of trouble and strife and irresponsibility.

We said of Reno when Johnson and Jem Jeffries fought, that it was extravagantly wild, and men there flitted with and laughed at death, but as I visualise Reno it was a model of orderliness, tractable and tame by comparison with Dublin; for at Reno men deposited their six-shooters before they took up a position at the ring-side.

### ASKING FOR TROUBLE.

To me Dublin, on Saturday night, and for days before, was as a city where dire trouble was openly, blatantly courted; guns were terrible in their plenteous. And yet, amazing thing, it was not only possible to hold the fight, but some 2,000 people, among whom were many richly gowned women, went to it; an incredible circumstance. For on Friday morning there came a message to the promoters from the General Headquarters of the Irregulars forbidding the contest to take place; it was decreed that Ireland, by way of celebrating St. Patrick's Day, should move for the rebels who had been shot; but the promoters refused to creep into their holes. "This fight will take place though the heavens should fall"—that was their slogan; and the Government, who are struggling for the establishment of law and order, said in effect: "There must be no backing out now. Siki and McTigue have got to go into the ring, else we make an unholy confession of weakness."

I left my hotel in company with Georges Carpentier, Francois Desamps, the inimitable Tom Webster, and others of my friends, a few minutes before seven o'clock on Saturday night. We pulled our car up to within easy distance of the Scala Theatre; further progress was impossible, for we ran up against a crowd many thousands strong, fringed by an army of police—great, big fellows, giants every one of them.

We had literally to fight our way through a mob that yelled and roared their welcome to the Frenchman, who suffered to be hit and cuffed and kissed by the exuberant Irish folk. And then myself and those of our party were lifted bodily over barriers which had been placed across Princes-street. My hat was flattened, my body bruised, not by any viciousness of the people.

### ONLY A LITTLE BOMB.

They were delightfully good-tempered souls, but I was profoundly grateful when I reached the door of the theatre. Here I was greeted by a laughing man in civilian clothes, who, with the help of others, searched me for firearms; afterwards to be allowed to proceed to my seat. Boxing was already in progress.

I had scarcely taken up my position when there was a crash and a bang without. "That's a bomb," was whispered; "but only a little one," my next-door neighbour assured me. But it was poor consolation to hear the master of ceremonies announce that, in obedience to a military order no person would be allowed to leave the building until 11.30, for this meant that at a modest estimate I would be held captive for two hours after the big fight was over.

The wildest rumours floated around, and I confess that I fidgeted and fidgeted under many strange and weird fancies when I was asked to believe in the possibility—by no means a remote one—of the theatre being mined.

### KISSED LODGER.

AMOROUS GLASGOW  
LANDLORD.

A sequel to the amorous conduct of Patrick Morris, who advertised furnished rooms to let at his house at 77 West Street, Tradeston, was related at Glasgow Divisional Court. He was charged with having assaulted a woman by placing his arms round her neck, pulling her towards him, and kissing her. Complaining, in answer to the advertisement, had called at accused's house, and while he was showing her the apartments he committed the assault. He explained, however, that when he kissed her it was by accident—while he was opening the door to let her out.

The Magistrate did not think much of this excuse, and fined accused £3. 3s.

### AN ALTERED LINE.

A London schoolmistress gives this curious example of childish misconception. The class had been accustomed to sing each afternoon a short hymn commencing with the line—

"Weak and sinful though we be"

and on a new teacher investigating their rather indefinite articulation it was found that nearly half the class had been rendering the line—

"We can sing full though we be."

There is a valuable warning here to all who instruct the very young, whether in day school or Sunday school.—*The Sunday at Home.*

But it is surprising what a little philosophy can do, and I found it possible to settle down in tolerable comfort to follow the fight between McTigue and Siki. And when it was over there came the final wait before I was permitted to leave. I was much relieved when I was informed that I might take myself home, but I was wholly unprepared for what was to happen.

### STAMPEDE UNDER FIRE.

In the street I had my second wrestle to worm myself through a vast crowd, and I had but just crossed over Sackville-street when many guns spat and barked. There was a regular stampede, and before I had time to appreciate it I was hurled through the swinging doors of a tea shop, with Tom Webster on the top of me and Major Arnold Wilson taking cover in a convenient corner.

Lights were put out; women and girls began to cry. But we were not kept captives for more than a few minutes, and away we hurried to our hotel.

Near to the Bank of Ireland a shot rang out and there jumped in front of me a soldier, rifle in hand, capless, who bade me halt. "And where's the shooting come from," he inquired. One of my companions pointed to the opposite side of the road, and away he ran. And on the pavement was a youngster who had been brought down with a bullet in his leg.

I had got within striking distance of my quarters when I was pulled up with a jerk, and the while I looked down a rifle I was searched. I counted myself supremely fortunate when I eventually got indoors.

At a time like this it was madness to have such a thing as a boxing match in Dublin; it was all so very much like "tread on the tail of my coat if you dare and you will know that you have been in a shindy." Queer celebration of St. Patrick's Day, to be sure, and yet I am pleased that there was this fight for it gave me an opportunity, which I would not otherwise have had, of seeing and realising for myself to what a pass Ireland has reached.

You are searched as you leave the boat! I went to Baldoyle races and was turned out of my motor-car and had my pockets felt by a couple of young soldiers; I had been in the city but a few minutes when I was enjoined not to trust my best friend on the principle that you never know who's who. Unthinkable Dublin!

### RUSSELL CASE.

JURY'S VERDICT FOR  
HUSBAND.

### CO-RESPONDENT CLEARED.

After ten days' hearing of his petition, the Hon. John Hugo Russell (son and heir of Lord Amthill) was on March 16 granted a decree nisi with costs. He made two charges against his wife, Mrs. Christabel Russell (formerly Hart)—adultery with a man unknown and adultery with the named co-respondent, Mr. Edgar Jacquard Mayer. The jury found the first charge proved, but not the second. At the outset of the day's hearing Mr. Justice Hill, continuing his summing up, asked: Was Mr. Russell in the box trying to tell the jury the truth? Of course, it might be that after the stress of this long controversy of two years Mr. Russell might have become convinced that something happened which never happened or that something did not happen which actually did.

An important witness, the judge continued, was Mrs. Shortan, a friend of Mrs. Russell. She said Mrs. Russell told her after the week-end at Oakley in December, 1920, that nothing had happened between her and her husband. If the jury accepted the statement they must also consider whether the conversation really applied to that particular week-end or to another. Mrs. Shortan was not called at the last trial. She sat in court all the while, but said it was not until afterwards that she made any statement about this week-end, as she did not until then realise the importance of the incident. If they were satisfied that something happened on the particular date referred to it ended the matter.

As to the alleged adultery with the co-respondent, Mr. Mayer at his flat in Hall Moon-street, most of the evidence rested with the servants. The question was whether at this distance of time the servants could really identify any of the women visitors mentioned. Were they mistaken with regard to Mrs. Russell, who denied their evidence? two questions.

Apart from identification, however, the jury would also have to be satisfied that these two people had committed adultery. There was no evidence of such behaviour between Mrs. Russell and Mr. Mayer apart from the evidence about the flat. At the same time it had to be borne in mind that although Mrs. Russell was very open about her indiscretions she said nothing about this.

The questions left to the jury were:—  
Had Mrs. Russell committed adultery with a man unknown whereby she became mother of the child born in October, 1921?  
Had she committed adultery with the co-respondent, Mr. Mayer?

His Lordship added he was sure the jury would not shrink from determining the questions at issue, and he left the matter to them with confidence.

After an hour and three-quarters absence his Lordship said he understood the jury would require substantial time, and he proposed to adjourn until two o'clock. Meanwhile would the parties agree to the jury having sandwiches and coffee or something like that, the cost to be borne in the cause? (Laughter.) "We do not want to starve them," said his Lordship, amid further laughter.

The Hon. Victor Russell, for Mr. Russell, said there was no objection to the course suggested.

### JURY'S ANSWERS.

When the jury, after considering their verdict for exactly four hours, filed back into the box, the judge took his seat upon the bench, and then, leaning across his desk towards the jury, the Associate, in conversational tones, asked: Are you agreed upon your verdict?

The Foreman of the Jury: We are.

Do you find that the respondent, Christabel Hulme Russell, committed adultery with a man unknown?—Yes.

Do you find that the respondent, Christabel Hulme Russell, committed adultery with the co-respondent, Edgar Jacquard Mayer?—No.

Do you find that the co-respondent committed adultery with her?—No.

Mr. Bush James (for Mr. Mayer) asked that the co-respondent be dismissed from the case with costs.

The Judge: Yes.

Sir Edward Marshall Hall, K.C. (for Mr. Russell): On that verdict I ask for a decree nisi.

The Judge: Yes.

Mr. Coles-Reedy (for Mrs. Russell): I ask for an order for the wife's usual costs.

The Judge: I will make the usual order.

Turning to the jury, on which there were two women, his Lordship thanked them for their very patient hearing and exempted them from service in the Divorce Division for five years.

### £14,000 COSTS.

The costs of the Russell divorce case are estimated to exceed £14,000.

### INTO THE EAST.

TRAVELLER'S TABLES OF  
THE ORIENT.

Mr. Richard Curle's travel notes on Ceylon, Burma, and Malaya—"Into the East"—make a book of unusual quality in which the author has succeeded, amid the blare of external life, in catching and also enabling his readers to hear "the waltz of innumerable hills passing on one to another the restless murmur of men's hearts."

By avoiding statistics and tourist commonplace Mr. Curle has kept a free mind in the riotous pageantry of the tropical scene for a critical valuation of places, the future of countries, and the inner meaning of the East for the West.

It is this questioning mood, Mr. Joseph Conrad surmises—in a delightful preface appraising travellers' tales through the centuries—which makes Mr. Curle's writing "so responsive to the inner promptings, suggested by travel, which informs the felicitous rendering of his visual impressions."

### SOMERE INDIANS.

Of cosmopolitan Rangoon, neither Burma nor the East," Mr. Curle says:—

I have never known a town so vivid at once of modernity and age, or above whose activity, of 3,000,000 people, there hovered so quietly the breath of stagnation.

Mandalay is "old Burma dying by inches, and vilely set upon by the fungus of European civilisation."

The Indian types, he finds, unlike the gay, colour-lost Burmese.

Wear a sombre look, as though they were the children of a land haunted by devils and dark dreams, and they walk with stealthy liteness.

At Penang—the East freed from the dark way of India—"he felt a 'lightheartedness as I landed which I had never felt in Burma."

With all its colour, there is something heavy about Burma, but Penang has the brilliance of the Southern Seas.

For "my last look at Malaya," by evening,

The whole harbour was magically, at a given signal, transfused in coral, and the sky between its coloured clouds shone green in the ravenous east. . . . The solidity of the earth, between the flushed water and the melting sky, was terrific as graven metal.

### EASTERN PSYCHOLOGY.

Singapore, to an even greater extent than Colombo or Hongkong, is the "focus-point of the East."

It's the kind of place where you may constantly see dubious-looking people getting hurriedly off ships and simply disappearing into thin air. What schemes must have been hatched in Singapore!

What does the East really want of us? Riddance apparently!

We talk to them of freedom, and they reply, "Well, give us freedom," but the only freedom they want is freedom from us.

The psychology of Asiatics may often approximate outwardly to our own, but there is something at the back which the arguments of democracy do not touch. Words do not have a universally equal significance. What the Oriental really wants is a return to some sinuous Eastern mode of life where the order of things is fixed within and chaotic without.

Eastern race-mentality, in this traveller's estimation, remains steadfast—and inscrutable.

All you will ever notice is the sheath of nerves, which conceals an idea more powerful, more universal than any other idea in the whole world. But if I could explain what that idea is I should have ceased to be a European.

### THEY WOULD DO THE SAME.

A Devonshire parish lately possessed a clergyman who was not much appreciated.

A few Sundays ago he remarked to his church-warden—"You people don't seem to appreciate me. Do you know that on leaving my last sphere of work the people showed their appreciation so much that they gave me a silver salver?"

That is nothing," was the churchwarden's reply. "If thee would only go away from this parish, we'd give thee a gold 'un."

The first trial, which lasted eight days, was stated by Lord Amthill to have cost him £20,000. In the present case the fees of counsel for all the parties are stated to amount to £26,000, and it is estimated that another £8,000 will be required to cover the solicitors' costs and other charges which will be allowed on taxation.

In addition to this, the solicitor and client costs, which are not taxed, can be put at several thousands of pounds.

There was intense eagerness to gain admission to the court during the last day of the hearing. Even barriers lined up in the queue. Sir Alfred Tobin, the Westminster County Court judge, appeared to have had some difficulty in getting in to hear the case, and was just saved from election later by a barrister's clerk, who explained to an attendant who he was.

### VITAMINES IN BEER.

ARGUMENT U. S. BREWERS  
MISSED.

The "presence of vitamins in beer," says Mr. Henry C. Fuller in his interesting book "The Story of Drugs," printed in the United States is a "potent argument for the economic life of the nation."

Why the value of beer as a ready means for supplying these all-important nutritional substances was not urged upon our lawmakers (United States Legislatures) as a reason for not prohibiting its manufacture and sale is beyond comprehension. The brewers lost the chance of a life-time. They could have employed a vital argument to bolster up this one-sided fight.

A "yeast filtrate" (derived by the American chemist Seidel from brewer's yeast) is described as "exceedingly rich in vitamins."

If fifteen drops of yeast filtrate are given to completely paralysed pigeons (paralysed through a course of non-vitaminous food), a relief of the paralysis will occur within an hour, and to all outward appearances the pigeon will be restored to a normal condition within twelve hours.

"Soda and baking powders," Mr. Fuller states, "cannot replace yeast as leavening agents. They may act as occasional substitutes, but they kill the vitamins."

He also touches on the source of another vitamin—the fat-soluble vitamin present in cod-liver oil—as an "interesting subject for speculation."

### THE PLACID COD.

"It would appear," he says, "that vitamins are synthesised only in the economy of vegetable growths, and that their presence in animal products depends on the diet of the animal. In fact, it is a question of timely interest among scientists whether fact or merely fat-soluble vitamins are necessary in the diet."

But, coming back to the codfish, we must alter our ideas regarding the food of fish in general, and, instead of considering the cod as a ravenous consumer of the smaller fry of the ocean, place him in the status of a placid sea-grazer.

In a chapter about "dope," Mr. Fuller says that in the United States "investigation into the question of the future status of drug addiction indicates that the evil is on the decrease."

Out of a total of 321 municipalities it was reported by the police officials of 287 that the proclivities were declining, while in 34 cities an increase was noted. The increases were in the larger cities.

It is pointed out that the "evil associated with the use of narcotic drugs is the habit acquired thereby. But not all narcotic drugs are habit-forming."

Hyoscin or scopolamin, a powerful substance occurring in the leaves of henbane and the root of scopolia, possesses the characteristics of a narcotic. It is the drug employed to induce the "twilight sleep" that allays the suffering incident to childbirth, and is also one of the remedies depended upon by the practitioner in the systematic treatment of alcoholism and the morphine habit.

### CHINA'S NEEDS.

BRITISH TEXTILE  
MACHINERY.

An understanding has been come to between Great Britain and China that the balance of the Boxer Indemnity which is still due to us shall be devoted to educational work, mainly among the Chinese younger generation. The balance amounts to 11,186,547, which is equivalent to about 400,000 a year for twenty years. The Textile Machinery Makers' Association, which has for some time been formulating plans for the establishment of a textile technical school in China, has decided to appeal for general support of the scheme, and to ask the Governments concerned for a share of the annual allocation to be made in connection with the indemnity.

This scheme, while helping the Chinese themselves, should considerably assist British trade. The school would probably be placed in Shanghai, and the estimated cost of the land, building and equipment is 150,000. It is estimated that the annual cost of upkeep would be 17,000, and, as students' fees are not expected to bring in more than 2,000 a year, there would be an annual deficit of 15,000, to be met. The scheme would provide for the practical education of between 800 and 360 students in the use of British-made textile machinery and should attract orders to this country. Somewhat similar activity on the part of the United States has greatly increased the sale of American textile machinery in the Chinese market, while Germany is also entering the field.—*Engineering.*

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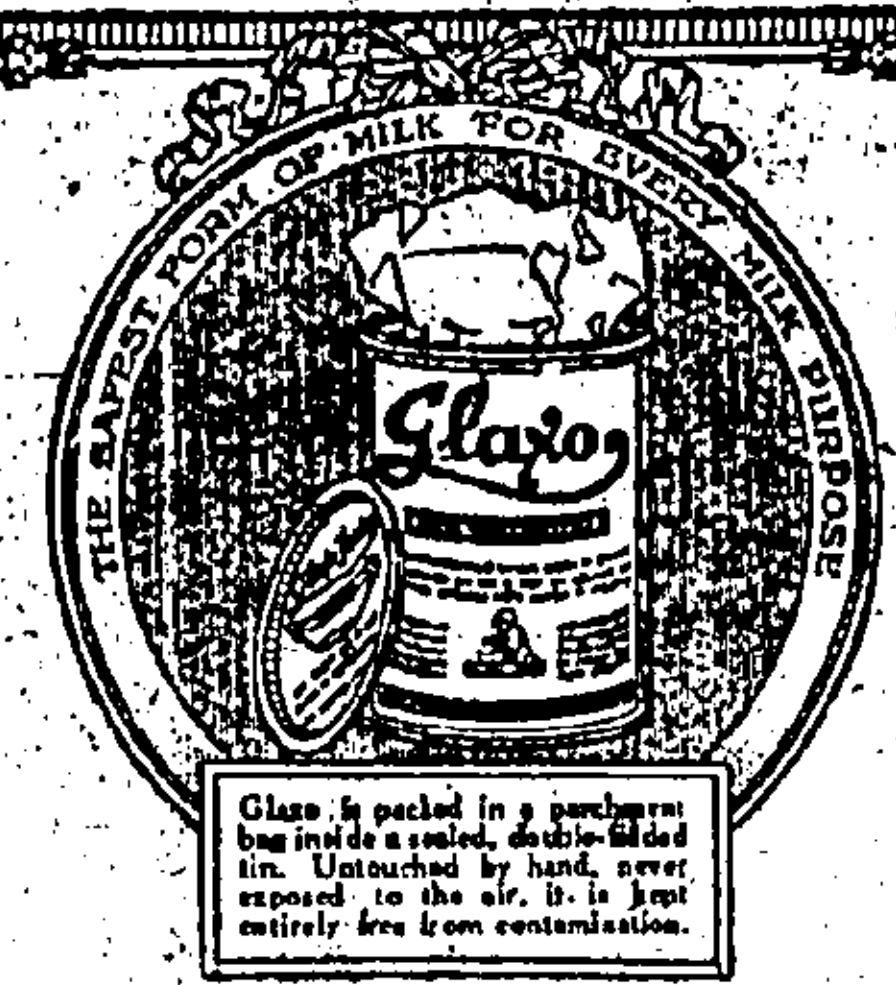
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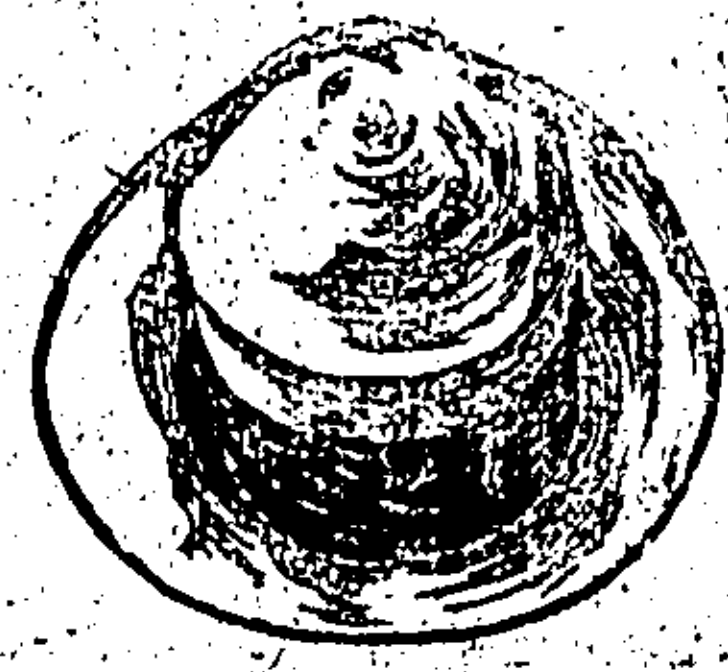
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Heiress engaged to Charles A. Rheault, former member of Canada's Royal Mounted Police, now a salesman. For eight years the romance was sped by mail alone, starting when Miss Bradley was with the Grenfell Mission among the inhabitants of St Anthony's, Labrador. Miss Bradley has been a missionary, Red Cross nurse and social service worker.



Pop Horace M. Towler  
New Governor of Porto Rico.



William H. McKelvie  
Only twenty-four has been made mayor of his native town.



Harvey S. Firestone, head of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, is trying to form an American rubber combine to operate rubber plantations in Latin America and the Philippines.



Following a quarrel between the two on a street car, Caraway swished his umbrella on Wallerstein's shoulders. Wallerstein claims he brushed Caraway accidentally. Caraway alleges Wallerstein kept pulling the Senator's hat over his face.



When her boy little was given a box of modelling clay to play with, Mrs. Nielson discovered her talent for sculpture. She is now fast winning fame.



Castle Forbes, the beautiful Irish home of the Earl and Countess of Granard, has been destroyed by mine. The Earl is a member of the Free State Senate. One of the wealthiest Irish peers, he married Miss Beatrice Mills, in 1909. He has been mentioned as a possible Governor-General of the Irish Free State, if Mr. Timothy Healy should retire.



"Sandy," the little son of Lady Patricia Ramsey (formerly Princess Victoria Helen Elizabeth, "Princess Pat," daughter of the Duke of Connaught), helps the London "Bobby" to open the massive iron gates at Buckingham Palace for the return of the King and Queen from the opening of Parliament.



Frederick Schneider, the wealthy contractor, who was mysteriously shot dead as he sat at the wheel of his motor car, was about to effect a reconciliation with his wife, Mrs. Minnie Schneider, whom he had deserted to live with Mrs. Anna Buzzi. Schneider was named as co-respondent when Mrs. Buzzi's husband obtained a divorce from her. An unidentified woman was seen hurrying away from the car after the shots were heard.



Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hitz, who married on board an Atlantic liner are shown standing behind the honeymoon flag that was hastily made by Mrs. B. Wiener, stewardess. The flag was presented to the couple when they reached port.

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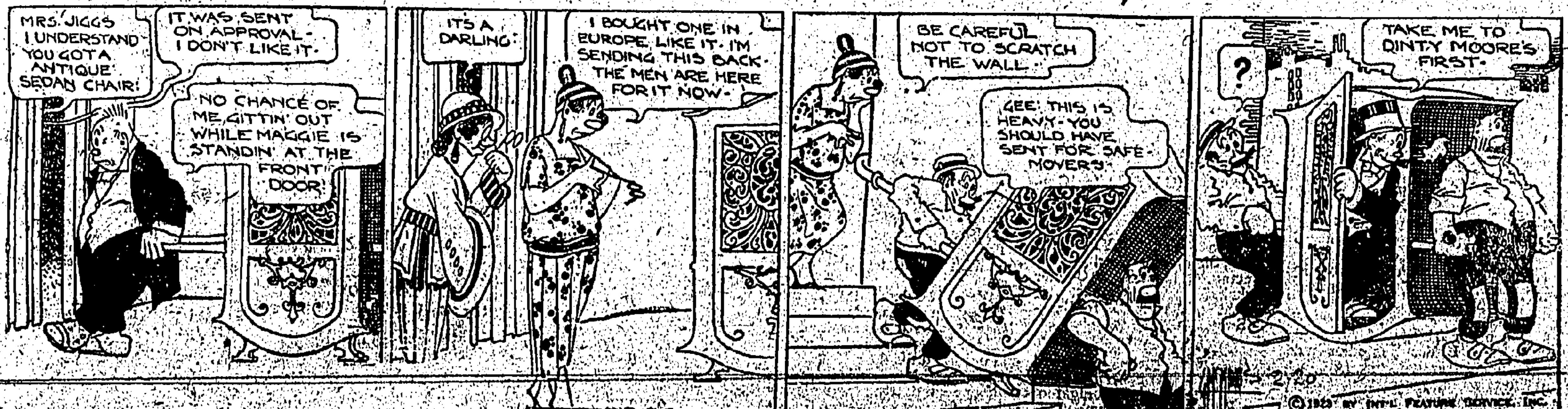
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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## THE BRITISH BUDGET.

London, April 23rd.  
The Budget resolutions were agreed on after the rejection of an amendment to reduce the Income Tax.

## SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTHDAY.

London, April 23rd.  
A message from President Harding, read at a meeting of the Governors of the Shakespeare Memorial on the occasion of the celebration in honour of Shakespeare's birthday at Stratford-on-Avon, said: "The American people are always sympathetic with every appreciation of the works of the immortal bard, constituting part of the magnificent joint heritage of the British and American peoples, and one of the ties which have so long bound them by a community of aspiration and earnest purpose on behalf of the highest interests of humanity."

## HINDU-MOSLEM DIFFERENCES.

AMRITSAR, April 23rd.  
The Congress leaders' effort to reconcile Hindu and Moslem differences have been abortive here, as the Lahore communal boycott tension continues.

## LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

GENEVA, April 23rd.  
The Dutch physicist, Lorentz, succeeds Professor Einstein on the League of Nations Intellectual Co-operation Commission.

## DENMARK AND RUSSIA.

COPENHAGEN, April 23rd.  
A provisional agreement, signed at Moscow, between Denmark and the Soviet, establishes de facto relations. The Danes are expected to engage in industrial undertakings in Russia, and are guaranteed against seizure of property without full compensation.

## THE INDIAN FRONTIER OUTRAGE.

PESHAWAR, April 23rd.  
The release of Miss Ellis has not yet been effected, for though she has been rescued from the clutches of her captors she is still in the heart of the Pir country, and there is a possibility of their offering further opposition.

## SOUNDS.

## DO THEY INTEREST YOU?

I have always made a quaint, though not very profound, study of sounds, writes James Hilton in *The Star*. Some people insult a sound by calling it a noise, but this to my mind is more prejudice. You can say a certain sound is pleasing or unpleasant, just as you can say the taste of a picture or a novel, but to say "Oh, it's just a noise!" is begging the question. Personally I like the majority of sounds. And if somebody asked me to walk a mile to hear a new sort of one, I would like it and take the risk of not liking it.

By sounds I mean very simply everything that sounds.

High in my list of sounds that are exquisitely beautiful I put the sound of a London tram (only a London tram) as you sit snugly in the corner of the rear alcove on the top deck and are carried swiftly into the fastnesses of some remote suburb.

The trolley-wheel purns along the overhead wire, and every time it crosses the thing-me-jig that holds it to the wire that connects the standards (you know what I mean) it makes a beautiful little execrable sound that is for all the world like a kiss.

But I must tell the story of a wonderful sound I once heard. I was walking on the road from Twickenham to Hounslow.

## ANOTHER WORLD SYMPHONY.

It was a dull, gloowering winter's afternoon, heavy with mist, and suddenly there came into the gloom of it a most curious distant murmur, something that reminded me vaguely of the surf breaking upon a sunlit beach, something that, as I walked on and as it grew less faint, seemed to pour floods of strange brilliance into the dreary world. Then all at once I turned a corner, and it was on me in a tide. It was like some wild, fierce symphony of another world, full of gorgeous, intricate confusion—a mighty, passionate riot, wherein a hundred melodies, mingled in one stormy cauldron of discord, I listened for several moments, standing still in the roadway. The power of it seemed endless, uniform, infinite.

Then I walked on and discovered what it was. It was Kneller Hall, and in every window of the huge building I could see the figure of an Army bandman, practising the difficult bit over and over again, no doubt, but it was perfect in them.

I had tea in a little cottage close by, and the woman there told me the noise was something awful during the afternoon practice hours—didn't I think so?

## A Parent's Duty.

Your boy is always getting scratched or cut or bruised. Because these wounds have healed all right in his skin, they always will. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and see that every injury is cared for immediately. You can get nothing better, and blood poison is no dangerous disease to risk for sake of all Chamberlain's and Sarsaparilla.

## NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

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FROM JAVA.

May 7—J.O.J.L. Titiraoom.

FROM CALCUTTA.

May 2—N.Y.K. Yamagata Maru.

May 4—N.Y.K. Kamakura Maru.

FROM BOMBAY.

Apr. 27—N.Y.K. Sado Maru.

May 12—U.S.S.B. West Farolan.

May 15—U.S.S.B. Mura.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Apr. 23—U.S.S.B. West Farolan.

May 10—U.S.S.B. Mura.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

May 7—E. &amp; A. Eastern.

June 11—E. &amp; A. Aratara.

FROM NEW YORK.

May 2—T. I. O. Narboro.

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FROM VANCOUVER.

May 4—C.P.S. Empress of Asia.

June 7—B.F. Tyndarus.

July 5—B.F. Tyndarus.

Aug. 23—B.F. Achilles.

Sept. 3—B.F. Philoctetes.

FROM PORTLAND.

May 10—U.S.S.B. Pavlov.

FROM SEATTLE.

May 17—B.F. Achilles.

July 5—B.F. Tyndarus.

Aug. 23—B.F. Achilles.

Sept. 3—B.F. Philoctetes.

FROM LOS ANGELES.

Apr. 27—U.S.S.B. Elfrida.

May 15—U.S.S.B. West Chupaka.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

Apr. 27—U.S.S.B. Elfrida.

May 15—U.S.S.B. West Chupaka.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.

Apr. 28—N.L. Werra.

May 8—H.E.A.L. Oudekerk.

June 5—H.E.A.L. Oudekerk.

July 3—H.E.A.L. Zosma.

FROM LONDON.

May 5—P. &amp; O. Novara.

June 12—P. &amp; O. Novara.

July 19—P. &amp; O. Novara.

Aug. 26—P. &amp; O. Novara.

Sept. 2—P. &amp; O. Novara.

Oct. 9—P. &amp; O. Novara.

Nov. 16—P. &amp; O. Novara.

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